Technology Upgrade Feasibility and Implementation Report

(Per CIO Task Control No. ST/N0001)







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Tasking

- ◆CIO Task (Control No. ST/N0001)
 - Investigate migrating STASS / NITRAS to "true" Web environment
 - •i.e., Only Client Requirement Browser & Intranet / Internet Access
 - Current STASS / NITRAS web based on client / server architecture



Background

- NETPDTC receives CNET Tasking ST/N0001
 WEB MIGRATION STRATEGY
- NETPDTC N6 presents Initial Results to Date Web Migration Brief to CNET CIO 28 July 2000
- NETPDTC receives approval to proceed to Phase 2
- NETPDTC prepares report ID'ing findings, POA&M and costs
- NETPDTC delivers final report to CNET CIO 19 Oct 2000



Background (Cont'd)

Currently:

- Client / server
- CENet, Tunnel, Web / Internet
- Reducing Production Database Servers 16 to 9 to 5
- 80+ NT forms servers ("Odrive")
- Number of Users STASS 6000+, NITRAS

Why the Transition:

- De-support of Oracle's client server products
- Direction Industry and eGovernment is Moving
- Regionalization
- N/MCI
- Downsizing



Executive Summary

Findings

- Use current Oracle-based database environment
- Oracle 6i/8i Tools/Database
 - Reduces migration time, learning curve and costs
- Use current STASS/NITRAS infrastructure and upgraded communications/server (s)
- Server consolidations in process 16-9-5 to 1



Benefits

- Eliminates maint/support of 80+ NT servers
- Eliminates oncoming N/MCI client support issues
- Selected Oracle 6i/8i supports current HP consolidation strategy eliminates symmetric rep
- Single database ensures data quality and integrity
- Reduce PC SW req; STASS/NITRAS II access anywhere/anytime via Browser/Web technology
- STASS/NITRAS II will continue to operate when Oracle client server no longer supported



Design Considerations / System Requirements

Criticality		Criticality	
Н	Development Tools / Database	M	Quality Assurance / Quantity Control Tools
Н	System Monitoring/Back Up & Recovery / Performance Tuning Tools	M	Configuration/Release Management Tools
Н	UNIX / NT / Linux		
Н	PKI / DoD Mobile Code Policy / Firewall / Port Restrictions / Policy	Н	Date Oracle Client/Server Support Terminates
		L	Split Screen Functionality
Н	Common Access/SMART Card support (Associated with PKI)	Н	Peripheral device support (Scanners, bar code readers,
М	N/MCI		printers)
		Н	
Н	External Interfaces / INTRPD (Low Risk)		Report view and distribution (print, download, email attachment, etc.)
Н	Row Level Security	Н	
N/I	Craphica / Chall Charle	N/I	Help text support
M	Graphics / Spell Check	M	Laptop & wireless hand held/palm
Н	Singled Sited Host Computing Environment Single Corporate / Enterprise Information System (Ensures data quality / integrity)	nt,	pilot support (High Criticality in future)

Alternatives Considered

- Oracle 6i/8i integrated development tools & database
- Citrix pseudo web
- SyBase & Microsoft SQL Server no advantage re: migration costs, performance, dual migration environment, learning curve, etc.
- IBM/DB2 database, lacking integrated development tools
- Unisys hardware, software products, & application service provider
- JAVA and HTML complete redesign / rewrite
- Bea conversion tool
- Kumaran conversion tool



Advantages gained by an Oracle 8i Database / 6i Tool Kit, HP UNIX

- Solution A total package re: database, development tool kit, performance tuning / back up & recovery tools
- Reduced migration time re: learning curve associated w/new environment
- Reduced costs re: own current production environment
- Independent of the tools, Oracle is recognized as an industry leader in database technology, e.g., 96% of the top e50 Businesses run Oracle database
- Build on current development hardware



Advantages gained by an Oracle 8i Database / 6i Tool Kit, HP UNIX Solution

- Oracle 8i
 - supports fine grain access control, i.e., row level security
 - supports "standby" database on separate host for fail over & read only / ad hocs
 - includes encrypt / decrypt package permitting selected columns of data to be stored in encrypted format, e.g., SSN
- Oracle 6i
 - permits forms to be deployed as client server or Web. No need to maintain dual program libraries during migration.
 - Forms Server Release supports SSL protocol to provide server authentication, secure data transition & data integrity.
 - supports XML output, I.e., XML replacement for HTML "extensible" re: not a fixed format as HTML.
- Supports goal of 12 months to implementation of 1st prototype site(s).

Assumptions

- Project will remain fully funded
- NETPDTC MEO under A76/CA Study will be selected
- Mobile Code/Firewall Policies will continue to change
- Will impose a STASS / NITRAS development moratorium
- Key Resources needed for success of the project will be available (people, contractor support, equipment, facilities, etc.)
 - Issue: Can we retain our corporate knowledge? (loss of 25 personnel in N62 since CA and more anticipated)
- Responsive / adequate bandwidth Intranet / Internet will be available – 24 X 7
- Development tools / operational environment will change in the next 18 – 24 months, e.g., Windows ME, Oracle 7.0



Current STASS/NITRAS Infrastructure



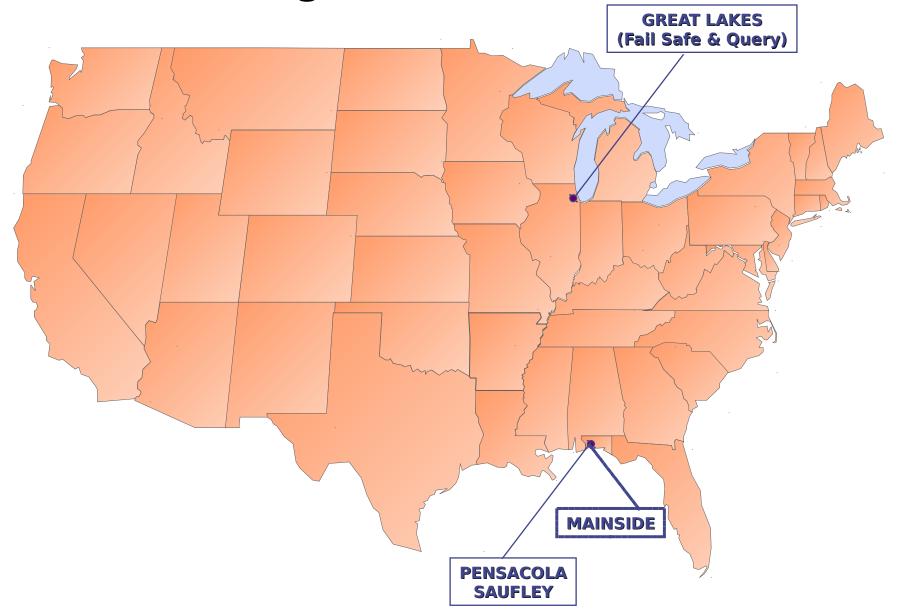
Planned Consolidation with Fail Safe



Planned COOP Implementation - Phase



Target Architecture



Project Milestones

	TASKS	START	COMP
1.	Project Approval and Funding	23 Oct 2000	27 Oct 2000
2.	ID Detailed Development/Operational ADPE/Environment	In Process	31 Jan 2001
3.	Procure ADPE/Software, etc.	In Process	30 Mar 2001
4.	Training related to New Development Env.	In Process	30 Mar 2001
5.	Install ADPE	In Process	30 Jun 2001
6.	Development/Conversions	1 Nov 2000	1 Oct 2001
7.	Announce a Development Moratorium	15 Nov 2000	15 May 2001
8.	Order/Upgrade COM/Internet Infrastructure	15 Nov 2000	1 Mar 2002
9.	Document, e.g., CASE, Operations, On-line User Help, Implementation/Transition Plan	1 Mar 2001	1 Mar 2002
10	. Test/QA	30 Mar 2001	1 Oct 2001
11	. Prototype	1 Nov 2001	15 Dec 2001
12	. Phased Implementation/User Training	1 Feb 2002	27 Sep 2002
13	. Terminate Client/Server	27 Sep 2002	27 Sep 2002



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